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AB An endovascular graft, e.g., having both an expandable stent portion and a stent cover portion positioned within and/or surrounding the expandable portion, the graft itself and/or a stent cover portion being coated with a bioactive agent adapted to promote initial thrombus formation, preferably followed by long term fibrous tissue in growth. The endovascular graft addresses concerns regarding endoleaking by permitting the graft to be deployed and used in a manner that promotes a short term hemostatic effect in the perigraft region. This short term effect can, in turn, be used to promote or permit long term fibrous tissue ingrowth. Particularly where the stent cover portion is prepd. from a porous material selected from PET and ePTFE, the bioactive agent can include a thrombogenic agent such as

collagen covalently attached in the form of a thin, conformal coating on at least the outer surface of the stent cover. An optimal coating of this type is formed by the activation of photoreactive groups provided by either the cover material itself, by the bioactive agent itself, and/or by a linking agent. For example, an endovascular graft was coated by immobilizing bovine skin collagen comprising 95% type I collagen and 5% type III collagen photoderivatized by the addn. of benzoylbenzoic acid- ϵ -aminocaproic acid-N-oxysuccinimide. The amt. of immobilized photoderivatized collagen was 1.8 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ of endovascular graft. Two collagen-immobilized grafts and two non-coated grafts were implanted in dogs; no evidence of endoleaking was obsd. in dogs implanted with coated grafts, but endoleaking was detected in uncoated grafts. A cellular lining (neointima) was evident in all samples; however, the thickness of the neointima was not sufficient to decrease the luminal diam. No thrombus formation was obsd.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1994:576796 CAPLUS
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 121:176796
 TITLE: Tendon degeneration and chronic shoulder pain: changes in the collagen composition of the human rotator cuff tendons in rotator cuff tendinitis
 AUTHOR(S): Riley, G P.; Harrall, R L.; Constant, C R.; Chard, M D.; Cawston, T E.; Hazleman, B L.
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Rheumatology Research Unit, Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, CB2 2QQ, UK
 SOURCE: Ann. Rheum. Dis. (1994), 53(6), 359-66
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 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal
 LANGUAGE: English

AB To analyze the collagen compn. of normal adult human supraspinatus tendon and to compare with: (1) a flexor tendon (the common biceps tendon) which is rarely involved in any degenerative pathol.; (2) degenerate tendons from patients with chronic rotator cuff tendinitis. Total collagen content, collagen soly. and collagen type were investigated by hydroxyproline anal., acetic acid and pepsin digestion, cyanogen bromide peptide anal., SDS-PAGE and Western blotting. The collagen content of the normal cadaver supraspinatus tendons (n = 60) was 96.cntdot.3 μg HYPRO/mg dry wt. (range 79.cntdot.3-113.cntdot.3) and there was no significant change across the age range 11 to 95 yr. There was no significant difference from the common biceps tendon [93.cntdot.3 (13.cntdot.5) μg HYPRO/mg dry wt., n = 24]. Although extremely insol. in both acetic acid and pepsin, much of the collagen was sol. after cyanogen bromide digestion [mean 47.cntdot.9% (29.cntdot.8)]. Seventeen per cent (10/60) of the 'normal' cadaver supraspinatus tendon sample contained more than 5% type III collagen, although none of the common biceps tendons had significant amts. Degenerate supraspinatus and subscapularis tendons had a reduced collagen content [83.cntdot.8 (13.cntdot.9) $\mu\text{g}/\text{mg}$ dry wt. and 76.cntdot.9 (16.cntdot.8) $\mu\text{g}/\text{mg}$ dry wt resp.] and were more sol. in acetic acid, pepsin and cyanogen bromide (p < 0.cntdot.001). Eighty two per cent (14/17) of supraspinatus tendons and 100% (8/8) of subscapularis tendons from patients with tendinitis contained more than 5% type III collagen. The changes in collagen compn. in rotator cuff tendinitis are consistent with new matrix synthesis, tissue remodelling and wound healing, in an attempt to repair the tendon defect, even in old and degenerate tendons. An increase in type III collagen in some 'normal' cadaver supraspinatus tendons is evidence that changes in collagen synthesis and turnover may precede tendon rupture. These changes may be the result of repeated minor injury and microscopic fiber damage or a consequence of local factors such as reduced vascular perfusion, tissue hypoxia, altered mech. forces and the influence of cytokines. These collagenous changes may accumulate with age

and substantially weaken the tendon structure, predisposing the tendon to rotator cuff tendinitis and eventual tendon rupture.

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: 112:176323
TITLE: Changes in the composition and metabolism of arterial collagens during the development of pulmonary hypertension in rabbits
AUTHOR(S): Bishop, Jill E.; Guerreiro, Dino; Laurent, Geoffrey J.
CORPORATE SOURCE: Natl. Heart Lung Inst., Univ. London, London, UK
SOURCE: Am. Rev. Respir. Dis. (1990), 141(2), 450-5
CODEN: ARDSBL; ISSN: 0003-0805
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal
LANGUAGE: English

AB Increased pulmonary artery pressure enhances collagen deposition in the pulmonary artery. Changes in collagen metab. may cause this deposition in the pulmonary artery of animals with pulmonary hypertension induced by bleomycin. Rabbits were injected intratracheally with bleomycin sulfate and after 14 days with L-[U-14C]proline plus unlabeled proline. Uptake into arterial collagens and release of labeled hydroxyproline were then measured after 2.5 h. The relative amts. of types I and III collagens were assessed from the levels of cyanogen bromide-derived peptides .alpha.1(I)CB8 and .alpha.1(III)CB5, resp., after SDS-PAGE. Collagen synthesis rates of about 3%/day were found in the control pulmonary artery and aorta, and about one-half of the newly synthesized collagen was degraded rapidly. At 14 days after bleomycin, there was a 5 fold increase in collagen synthesis rate and a marked decrease in the percentage of newly synthesized collagen degraded rapidly. There was no change in collagen metab. in the aorta of these animals. Pulmonary artery collagen from control rabbits consisted of 26.5% **type III collagen**. There was no change in compn. in bleomycin-treated animals. This study demonstrates quite rapid turnover rates for collagen in normal blood vessels. Remodeling of arterial connective tissue matrix during pulmonary hypertension involves marked but commensurate increases in type I and III collagens brought about by changes in both synthesis and degradative processes.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1990:96356 CAPLUS
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TITLE: Collagen synthesis by cultured rabbit aortic smooth-muscle cells. Alteration with phenotype
AUTHOR(S): Ang, Aik H.; Tachas, George; Campbell, Julie H.; Bateman, John F.; Campbell, Gordon R.
CORPORATE SOURCE: Dep. Anat., Univ. Melbourne, Parkville, 3052, Australia
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LANGUAGE: English

AB Enzymically isolated rabbit aortic smooth muscle cells (SMC) in the 1st few days of primary culture express a contractile phenotype, but with time these cells modulate to a synthetic phenotype. Synthetic-state SMC are able to proliferate, and, provided that they undergo <5 cumulative population doublings, return to the contractile phenotype after reaching confluency (Campbell, J. H., et al., 1989). The present study detd. the synthesis of collagen, at the protein and mRNA levels, by cultured SMC as they undergo a change in phenotypic state. Upon modulating to the synthetic phenotype, SMC synthesized 25-30-fold more collagen than did contractile cells. At the same time, noncollagen-protein synthesis increased only 5-6-fold, indicating a specific stimulation of collagen synthesis. Steady-state mRNA levels are also elevated, with .alpha.2(I) and .alpha.1(III) mRNA levels 30- and 20-fold higher, resp., probably reflecting increased transcriptional activity. Phenotypic modulation was also assocd. with an alteration in the relative proportions of type I and III collagens synthesized, contractile SMC synthesizing 78.1% **type I collagen** and 17.5% **type III collagen**, and synthetic cells synthesizing 90.3% **type I collagen** and 5.8% **type III collagen**.

collagen. Enrichment of type I collagen was similarly noted at the mRNA level. On return to the contractile state, at confluency, collagen prodn. and the percentage of type I collagen decreased. This further illustrates the close assocn. between the phenotypic state of SMC and their collagen-biosynthetic phenotype.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 94311640 MEDLINE
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AUTHOR: Riley G P; Harrall R L; Constant C R; Chard M D; Cawston T E; Hazleman B L
CORPORATE SOURCE: Rheumatology Research Unit, Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, United Kingdom.
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AB OBJECTIVES--To analyse the collagen composition of normal adult human supraspinatus tendon and to compare with: (1) a flexor tendon (the common biceps tendon) which is rarely involved in any degenerative pathology; (2) degenerate tendons from patients with chronic rotator cuff tendinitis. METHODS--Total collagen content, collagen solubility and collagen type were investigated by hydroxyproline analysis, acetic acid and pepsin digestion, cyanogen bromide peptide analysis, SDS-PAGE and Western blotting. RESULTS--The collagen content of the normal cadaver supraspinatus tendons (n = 60) was 96.3 micrograms HYPRO/mg dry weight (range 79.3-113.3) and there was no significant change across the age range 11 to 95 years. There was no significant difference from the common biceps tendon [93.3 (13.5) micrograms HYPRO/mg dry weight, n = 24]. Although extremely insoluble in both acetic acid and pepsin, much of the collagen was soluble after cyanogen bromide digestion [mean 47.9% (29.8)]. Seventeen per cent (10/60) of the 'normal' cadaver supraspinatus tendon sample contained more than 5% **type III collagen**, although none of the common biceps tendons had significant amounts. Degenerate supraspinatus and subscapularis tendons had a reduced collagen content [83.8 (13.9) micrograms/mg dry weight and 76.9 (16.8) micrograms/mg dry wt respectively] and were more soluble in acetic acid, pepsin and cyanogen bromide (p < 0.001). Eighty two per cent (14/17) of supraspinatus tendons and 100% (8/8) of subscapularis tendons from patients with tendinitis contained more than 5% **type III collagen**. CONCLUSIONS--The changes in collagen composition in rotator cuff tendinitis are consistent with new matrix synthesis, tissue remodelling and wound healing, in an attempt to repair the tendon defect, even in old and degenerate tendons. An increase in type III collagen in some 'normal' cadaver supraspinatus tendons is evidence that changes in collagen synthesis and turnover may precede tendon rupture. These changes may be the result of repeated minor injury and microscopic fibre damage or a consequence of local factors such as reduced vascular perfusion, tissue hypoxia, altered mechanical forces and the influence of cytokines. These collagenous changes may accumulate with age and substantially weaken the tendon structure, predisposing the tendon to rotator cuff tendinitis and eventual tendon rupture.

L6 ANSWER 7 OF 7 MEDLINE

ACCESSION NUMBER: 90209987 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 90209987 PubMed ID: 2321591
TITLE: Type IV Ehlers-Danlos syndrome presenting as sudden infant death.
AUTHOR: Byard R W; Keeley F W; Smith C R
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Pathology and Research Institute, Hospital

for Sick Children, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
 SOURCE: AMERICAN JOURNAL OF CLINICAL PATHOLOGY, (1990 Apr) 93 (4)
 579-82.
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AB A previously healthy 5-month-old female infant presented with sudden death due to spontaneous subarachnoid hemorrhage associated with minor multifocal visceral hemorrhages. The clinical diagnosis had been sudden infant death syndrome. Although the family history was noncontributory and other features of type IV Ehlers-Danlos syndrome (EDS) were absent, the pattern of hemorrhage was consistent with this type of connective tissue disorder. The diagnosis was confirmed after postmortem analysis of skin and aorta showed less than 5% **type III collagen** (normal greater than 15%). Extensive literature review failed to find any other reported cases of sudden death in infancy due to intracranial hemorrhage in patients with previously unsuspected type IV EDS. The authors suggest that collagen analysis should be performed in cases of unexplained multifocal spontaneous hemorrhage in infancy so that this rare diagnosis will not be missed.

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